



Building and Improvement



ELEVEN PERMITS ISSUED IN WEEK

Total of New Construction \$3,110—One New home to Be Built

Building permits for the week ending Saturday, April 14, called for \$3,110 worth of new construction in La Grande, most of this consisting of small projects. One \$1,000 home is to be built on Birch street between Y and the city limits. A total of 11 permits were issued.

The permits follow:
Apr. 12—Howard Richardson, to alter and repair a filling station on Adams between Spruce and Cherry, work to cost \$125.
Apr. 9—Charles Goodenough, for Peter Hedrin, to alter and repair a home on Pennsylvania between Third and Fourth, work to cost \$200.

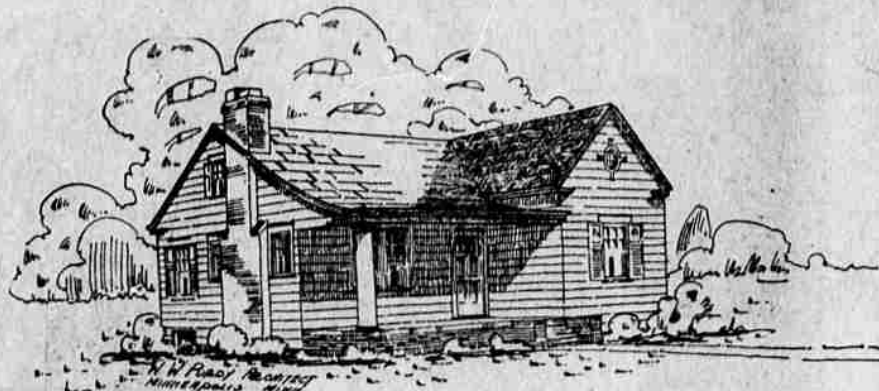
Apr. 9—W. A. Flann, to erect a home on Birch between Y and the city limits, to cost \$1,000.
Apr. 10—Orin L. Larson, to alter and repair a home on M between First and Second, work to cost \$150.
Apr. 10—H. J. Leonard, to erect a garage on First between M and N, to cost \$150.

Apr. 11—Mrs. Nettie Klein, to alter and repair a garage on Second between X and Y, work to cost \$15.
Apr. 11—W. C. Kelly for George H. Curry, to alter and repair a home on Fourth street between Main and Spruce, work to cost \$540.

Apr. 13—Glen Metcalf, to build a garage on Fifth between H and I, to cost \$30.
Apr. 13—J. D. Slater, to erect a garage on Second between Washington and Main, to cost \$300.
Apr. 14—Moses Lodge, to alter and repair the lodge hall on Washington between Fourth and Depot, work to cost \$100.

Who said this isn't the age of miracles? The other day a resident of Chicago died of old age.

A COLONIAL COTTAGE

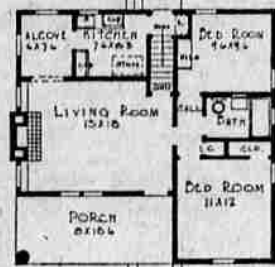


PROMISE PERSONALS

PROMISE (Special)—Weather continues quite cold and stormy. Farm work is very backward, only a few of the farmers having begun plowing.

Mrs. Almendra Carper is at Wallowa staying with her daughter and family. Mrs. Earl Haney, caring for them while they are having the nuptials.

Mr. and Mrs. Lige Barton and son, James, visited Saturday night and Sunday at W. A. Carper's.



By W. W. PULLEY

The little colonial cottage illustrated is unique in many ways. The floor plan while small, is very compact, so that all the rooms are fair sized.

The long sweeping lines of the roof extend down over a roof sized porch, which can be screened in summer if desired, or glazed in winter. Entrance is from this porch direct into the long living room. The treatment of the brick fireplace and built-in bookcases, is strictly colonial, and the room is most attractive. An archway leads into a small dining alcove, convenient to the kitchen, it being intended to set a table in the living room for guests.

The kitchen is compact, everything is conveniently arranged. The ice box is located in the rear entry, from which is a stairs to the basement. There is the usual laundry, furnace room and storage.

There are two bedrooms opening off a small central hall with a bath between, also a linen closet off the hall. The floors throughout are of oak, with nine color enamel, the doors being of birch stained walnut. Floor of bath in tile, with kitchen covered with linoleum.

Wide cedar siding has been used on the outside walls, this painted a white, the roof shingles and blinds a green. There is a red brick soldier course at grade, and for porch walls and steps. The terrace floor is of cement colored, and marked off as tile, giving a most substantial appearance.

The cost of this attractive little home is placed at \$4,000 to \$5,000 exclusive of heating and plumbing.

Listen to a program.

alph Carpenter who is herding sheep in the Mad Creek canyon for Ben McGinnis, visited Sunday and Monday.

Idaho sent President Coolidge a nice box of onions. They should have been sent to Mr. Butler, republican chairman, or Mr. Hayes. Neither of them is so well versed on his onions.

The Better Homes shows this year haven't been so much. We didn't see a single home with a laboratory where husbands could be painlessly chloroformed.

I want you ladies and gentlemen to pick up your steps if you want any of the kalsomine at 39c a package. It is going fast and we are going to put in a new stock of just one kind so dirt cheap. We just sold this morning 200 pounds of kalsomine, three gallons shellac, 200 pounds of white lead, one big painter's brush, two gallons of pure turpentine, two pounds of raw sesame, two pounds of drop black, and also two pounds of putty. We have a large painter's and paper-hanger's supply, from the thickest red saddle sign painter's brush to the largest kalsomine brushes, and prices—well that's out of the question. You can save by coming to headquarters. Don't forget to register if you want to vote for Cland Pratt.

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Building Permit Total For First 3 Months Lower

Although the total of building permits issued during March in 101 cities of the Pacific Coast is 23 per cent greater than the total for the previous month, it is 11 per cent below that of March, 1927, and the total for the first quarter of this year is 7 per cent below the comparable figure for last year which reflected a 3 per cent reduction from the 1925 comparable figure, as shown by official building department statistics tabulated in the National Monthly Building Survey of S. W. Strauss & Co.

A grand total of 34,769 permits were issued for new buildings to cost \$104,727,723, in these cities during the quarter-year just closed, as compared with 37,000 permits for \$113,557,250 in new buildings in 1927, \$123,000,000 in 1926, \$135,000,000 in 1925, and \$189,000,000 in 1924.

In Oregon the March total this year was \$3,831,835, compared with \$3,727,523 in 1927. The figures for the first quarter was \$6,961,313 for 1928 and \$11,716,430 for 1927, a big decrease. La Grande permits in March, 1928 were \$18,379, compared with \$275,000 last year in the same period. First quarter permits were \$25,975 this year and in 1927 were \$445,265.

CATHERINE CREEK PERSONALS

CATHERINE CREEK (Special)—Everyone is still hoping for warmer and more favorable weather, but Easter has passed.

R. H. Miller received a message from Mrs. Willard Miles Wednesday that her father, S. McDaniel, a pioneer of this neighborhood, had passed away at a hospital in San Jose, Calif., where he had undergone an operation for stomach trouble. The whole neighborhood wished to extend sympathy to the bereaved family in the loss of this good man.

Miss Stella Evalson and brother, Herman, came down from Rock Creek to spend Easter with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Edvalson.

Guy Ghrist, who has been at Hot Lake for some time, came home last Sunday much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wigglesworth, of the Park district, spent last Saturday at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. P. DeVore.

Miss Katie Reuter, of Union, was visiting at the home of J. P. DeVore last Saturday.

Ray Cusick and family, of La Grande, were Sunday dinner guests at the home of his mother.

Miss Adella Stonedahl of Boise, Idaho, is visiting this week at the home of her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bonney were fishing for steelheads over on the Minam last Monday. They report an unsuccessful trip.

Mrs. Arthur Monday and small daughter returned to her home after having spent some time at the home of her mother, Mrs. Lora Godsey, of Union.

Godsey brothers and Marvin Wood have begun to cut logs for the sawmill at Union which will soon be in operation after being shut down for the winter.

C. Y. Heall, of the valley, has moved his band of sheep to the Ashmeade pasture for the summer.

W. H. Phillips moved his entire herd of Polled Hereford cattle to the Key place on Catherine creek for pasture.

A. N. Busick was visiting at the home of Mrs. R. J. Cusick on Friday of this week.

THE GARDEN

PLANTING EARLY CABBAGES Many connoisseurs consider early cabbage the choicest in the matter of quality of any of the crops of this popular vegetable, maintaining that it has a crispness and flavor for salads that the late crop does not attain. The cabbage is a plant that for best quality demands a rich soil with a good supply of moisture. Spring conditions favor it in the way of moisture.

Early cabbage plants, either home grown from seeds, or ordered from seed houses, are one of the earliest crops to be put into the open ground as they do not mind frost, short of a real freeze if properly hardened off from the hotbed or greenhouse. Seeds may be sown now for the midseason crop to follow the early crop. Jersey Wakefield and Copenhagen Market are popular early types and All Seasons, Early Summer and Succession good second crops.

Early cabbages should be sown in rows two and a half feet apart and two feet apart in the row for their best development, giving ample

room and top room. They require frequent cultivation and liberal watering should a dry spell occur.

By planting the early and mid-season crops a supply of cabbages in the home garden will be available from the middle of July until fall, when the late or winter crop is ready to harvest.

Cabbages are synonymous with worms to most gardeners because of the apparently inevitable white butterfly which lays the eggs that hatch into the voracious velvety green worms that riddle cabbages. At the first annoyance of the white butterflies it is time to start the campaign to head off the cabbage worms. Most gardeners fear to use the arsenical poisons on cabbage for fear that it will get into the heads and that there will be danger of poisoning. While there is slight danger of this, it is just

as easy to use nonpoisonous insecticides such as slug shot, tobacco dust and whale oil soap. There are a number of such insecticides on the market which may be used with perfect safety as far as poisons dangerous to human beings are concerned but which are quite as dangerous to the cabbage worms. An early start will prevent the destruction by worms.

The pastor of a church in Iowa suggests that the men come dressed in overalls and the women in some attire to match. Evidently he wants proof that they're working at their religion.

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My wooden leg pained me awfully last night. "How could that be?" "My wife hit me over the head with it."

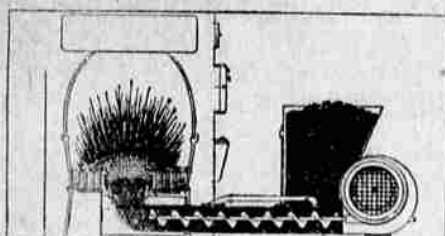
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